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NEWS- - -

Troy Donahue plays the lead role in the "Ghost Rider" movie.

Marvel Comics Heroes (as well as others) are currently appearing in stores on small liscence plates made by Marx. Among them: Captain America, Spider-man, the Thing, Batman, Robin, Riddler, Penguin, Joker, Catwoman, King Kong, Godzilla, and others.

Currently in stores you will find an assortment of Captain America items. Some of these are: CA kites, Flying CA, CA coloring books, CA (along with other Marvel heroes) Sparkle Paint sets, and many others.

The ABC TV network is to feature an hour-long special in the evening to announce the introduction of the Fantastic Four series to begin this fall. Watch TV Guides & newspapers for the date.

ODDITIES- - -

Fantasy Masterpieces #10 - The reproduction of All Winners #19's cover shows The Whizzer's costume as being yellow with blue insignia, hood, gloves, trunks, & boots, yet in the story itself, the entire costume is yellow. On the same cover, Miss America is shown as being red (blouse, skirt, & leotards) with blue & white insignia, blue collar, and blue belt, yet in the story, the costume is just the opposite: blue, with red insignia, collar, belt, & leotards. In the same story, on page 8, panel 6, a thug is hitting a MASKLESS Bucky! Aside from these mistakes, the issue was very good, both in story and art. - - - Bill

On page 2, panel 5 of Action Comics #228 (May 1957), Superman's belt is green. - - - Mark Dillman

On the bags containing CA kites are several identical drawings of CA (done quite well, I might add). On the left side of the drawing is the copyright; it reads as follows: © 1966 National Periodical Publications, Inc! This "almost fatal" mistake is corrected on the kite itself, however. You might also note that Cap's legs are white in these drawings. - - - Bill

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by
Mark Dillman
&
Bill Wilson

A big bat-goof appeared in the newspaper strip with Poison Ivy. In the story the hotel is called the BATMAN HILTON, yet near the end of the story, it is called the BATMAN HOTEL. - Mark

ONE DAY, while looking over my collection of BATMAN comics, I came across this interesting oddity. In BATMAN #4 on the first page, top and bottom left hand corner panels, Batman's emblem is missing. This is the case on pg.4p4, pg5p3, pg8p5&6,pg10p1-3,pg11p1,3,6, and many other pages in the book. This is also the case on many pages of BATMAN #6. Looking over later issues, I saw this mistake corrected. Say, here's another. On the bottom of the inside front cover of Batman #4, the date is given as WINTER 1941, but is should actually be WINTER 1940. —— Bill

The following are both by Mark:
In DETECTIVE #274, Batman & Robin are chasing Lew Gaage. Gadge slips and knocks himself out. Robin points to the marbles and his glove is the same color as his skin. This is on page 7, panel 2.

In Batman #182, July-Aug. 1966, look at page 75. Robin imagines being on the golf course with the Joker. In his thoughts, he appears as Dick Grayson but with his mask on. This same story appears in the Signet paperback "Batman vs. The Joker". In the paperback, the story is titled "Batman-Clown of Crime". In the Giant Batman (#182), it is titled "The Joker Batman". Boy, that's a double oddity!

MARVEL NEWS- - - by Bill Wilson
As all Marvel fans know, Spider-Man & The Fantastic Four are coming to TV. Well now, as an introduction to these and other cartoon shows, ABC is issuing a special America's Best (TV) Comics comic book for 25¢. As a service to completist, below is the address.
ABC, Box 20, Detroit, Michigan 482232
For those who don't send for it, it will be on the newstand August 1st.

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I have a few coverless copies of some Marvel comics without issue numbers or dates. If anyone has the issues with these stories, please contact me immediately, as I need this information. Please state title, issue no., and date when confronting me. Thanx. title-stor(ies)y
AVENGERS - "The Old Order Changeth", SPIDERMAN SPECIAL - "...To Become An Avenger", "Turning Point", & "Unmasked By Doctor Octopus"; TALES OF SUSPENSE - "Victory" & "Enter.. The Tumbler".
Anyone who helps me in any way will receive a free copy of The Collector.
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AD——For my new large size, 2 page 1967 listing of comics and related items, send large, stamped, s.a.e. and 5¢ in coin or stamp. New additions to this list can be found elsewhere in this issue. Send to: BILL WILSON (address above)

On the next page is the initial appearance of Mark Dillman's new character, "Crime-Fighter". This first story will feature CF battling his first costumed villain. We won't give away his name or the plot, pick up issues of TC to find out. However if you readers like CF, I'll make it a permanent feature in the Collector. Also——if any of you out there are experienced in drawing or writing; or even if you're not but you'd like to; send me samples of your work. If it's the kind of material I want, and I know it WILL be,you'll see it printed in these very pages. I feel that if all TC readers enjoy TC and help to keep it comin', that it'll go on for as long as I can make it go.——The Editor

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Elsewnere in this issue you will find a reproduction of Batman #6. These are from my own personal collection, but if you have any Golden Age comics, send me two copies of the cover. (one to print (and return, if you want); the other for my collection) These will really help me. No particular covers needed, send me a note saying what you have. --Bill

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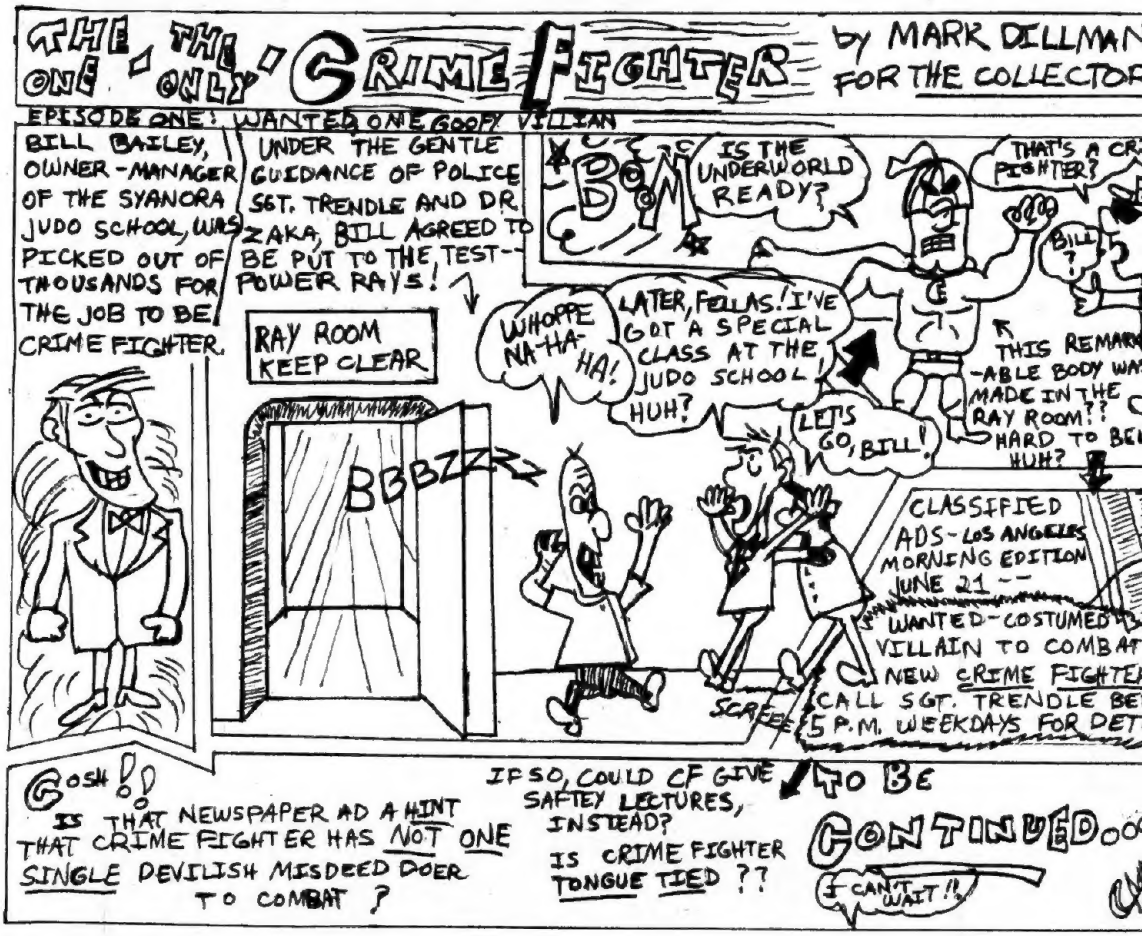
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by MARK DILLMAN
FOR THE COLLECTOR
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BILL BAILEY, OWNER-MANAGER OF THE SYANORA JUDO SCHOOL, WAS PICKED OUT OF THOUSANDS FOR THE JOB TO BE CRIME FIGHTER.
UNDER THE GENTLE GUIDANCE OF POLICE SGT. TRENDLE AND DR. ZAKA, BILL AGREED TO BE PUT TO THE TEST--
POWER RAYS!
RAY ROOM KEEP CLEAR
BBBZZZ
BOOM
IS THE UNDERWORLD READY?
THAT'S A CR... FIGHTER?
BILL?
WHOPPE NA HA-HA!
LATER, FELLAS! I'VE GOT A SPECIAL CLASS AT THE JUDO SCHOOL! HUH?
LET'S GO, BILL!
THIS REMARK... -ABLE BODY WA... MADE IN THE RAY ROOM?? C... HARD TO BE... HUH?
CLASSIFIED ADS - LOS ANGELES MORNING EDITION JUNE 21 --
WANTED - COSTUMED ... VILLAIN TO COMBAT ... NEW CRIME FIGHTER ...
CALL SGT. TRENDLE BE... 5 P.M. WEEKDAYS FOR DET...
SCREEE
GOSH!! IS THAT NEWSPAPER AD A HINT THAT CRIME FIGHTER HAS NOT ONE SINGLE DEVILISH MISDEED DOER TO COMBAT?
IF SO, COULD CF GIVE SAFTEY LECTURES, INSTEAD?
IS CRIME FIGHTER TONGUE TIED??
TO BE CONTINUED...
I CAN'T WAIT!!

(above rotated by Ken)

THE STAR SPANGLED TWINS

by Bill Wilson

Joe Simon & Jack Kirby, two greatly admired men in the comics created many characters in their spare time mainly because they enjoyed it and because they were doing it to provide enjoyment for others. Stuntman, the Guardian, and the Boy Commandoes are only three creations of Simon & Kirby. Captain America & Fighting American are two other products of the talented drawing board duo; the "Star Spangled Twins".

Captain America was first introduced in 1941 in his own comic. In this issue Steve Rogers, Army private, was injected with a new serum which turned him into a tremendously strong man: CAPTAIN AMERICA! This character spans about 25 years of action. Although created by Simon & Kirby, after the first ten issues other artists handled the strip. Many stories were by Stan Lee.

For the first great years of his life, Cap had a young partner called Bucky. His secret identity was that of Bucky Barnes, and his existence on the Army base was explained as "He can be the mascot for Camp Lehigh". This great team had many exciting adventures together; fighting villains like The Red Skull, The Black Toad, and The Black Talon, to name a few.

Cap was a great favorite of many kids in the forties. Why, even in 1944, Republic Pictures made a serial version of this great character. And even again today, readers thrill to the exciting adventures of Cap in Tales of Suspense and with fellow super-heroes in The Avengers comic.

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Fighting American, another product of Simon & Kirby, was copied from Captain America. Although his origin was slightly different, it was still basically the same. In the first issue, Johnny Flagg is murdered by foreign enemies and his brother Nelson makes a vow to track down his brother's killers. The next day, he visits the colonel, is given a shot which numbs his body, is put into a strange chair, and is finally transformed to his brother's body as Fighting American. He picked up a sidekick, Speedboy, and they began their career.

The first issue was played seriously, but with the second, things began to get out of hand. In this issue, the battled a two-headed gang boss, double-header. But, with the third issue and on, things became pure idiocy. Fighting American, though funny, knew we were laughing at him, and he laughed with us.

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And so, upon leaving, we can truthfully say that both Captain America & Fighting American were credits to Simon & Kirby's work.

THE END

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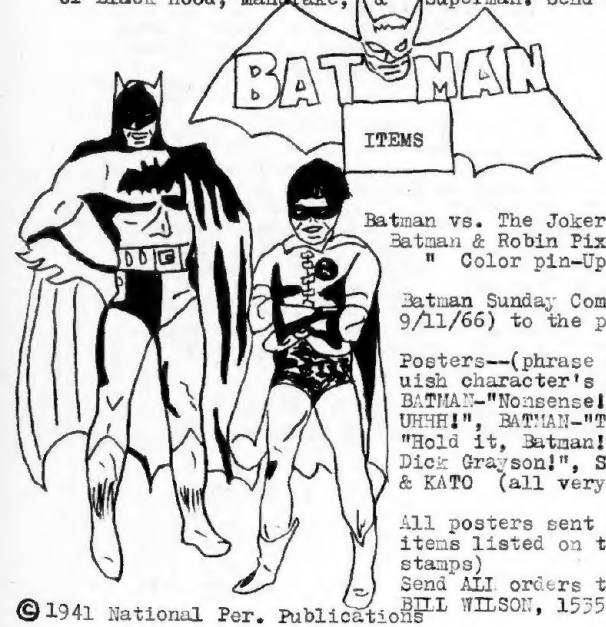

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" True Vue viewer & 3 film cards $1.00
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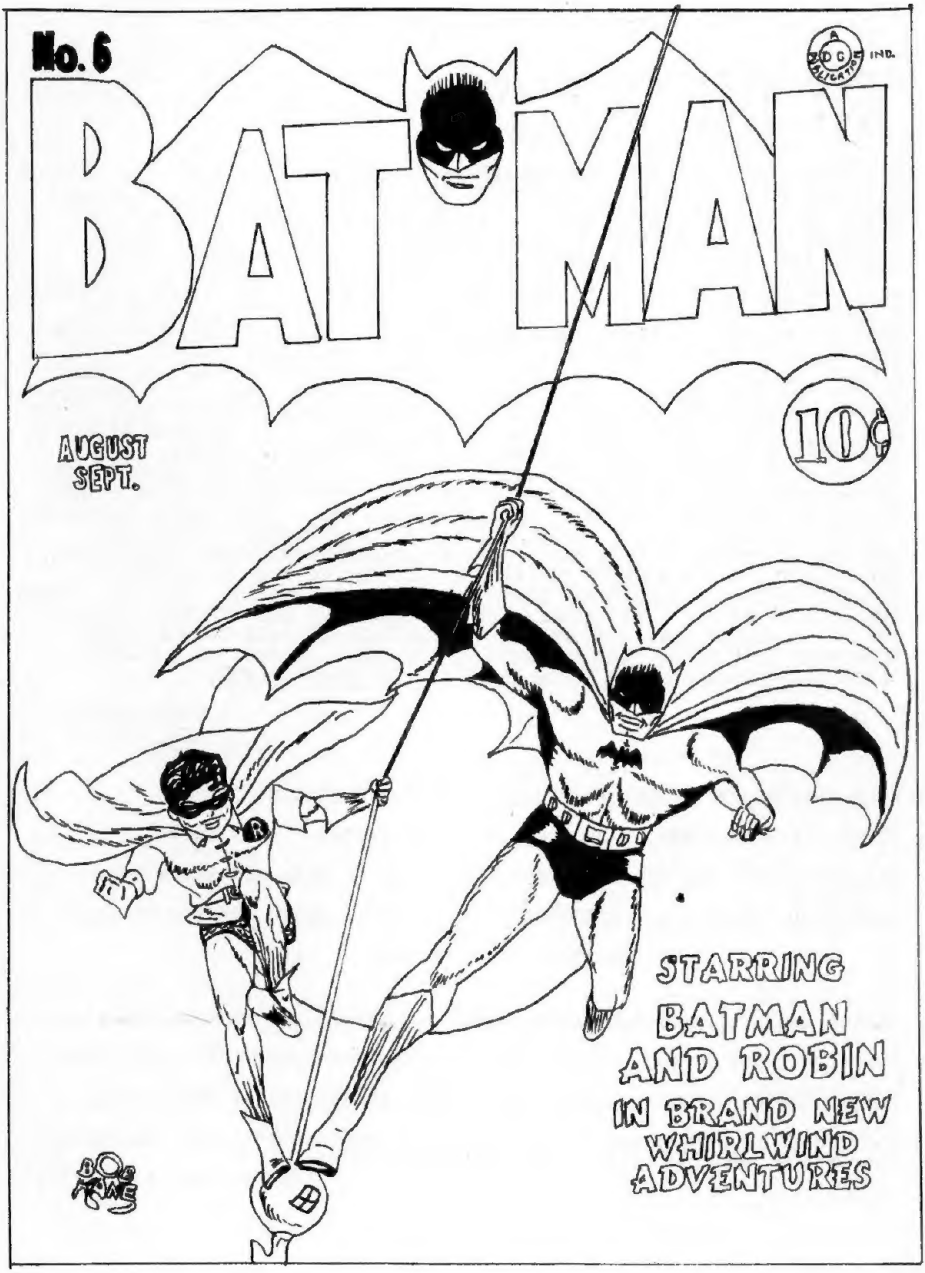
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